



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
342<sup>ND</sup> MILITARY POLICE BATTALION  
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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF

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MEMORANDUM FOR 342<sup>ND</sup> Military Police Battalion

SUBJECT: 342<sup>ND</sup> Military Police Battalion Command Policy #9 (Relationships between Soldiers of Different Rank)

1. Relationships between Soldiers of different rank that involve, or give the appearance of partiality, preferential treatment, or the improper use of rank or position for personal gain, are prejudicial to good order, discipline, and high unit morale. It is Army policy that such relationships be avoided.
2. Commanders and supervisors will counsel those involved or take other action, as appropriate, if relationships between Soldiers of different rank:
  - a. Cause actual or perceived partiality or unfairness.
  - b. Involve the improper use of rank or position for personal gain.
  - c. Create an actual or clearly predictable adverse impact on discipline, authority, or morale.
3. Commanders are responsible for establishing the leadership climate of the unit; and therefore, for setting the tone for social and duty relationships within their commands. They must also build and maintain the structures necessary to accomplish the Army's mission. Each commander must ensure that his or her Soldiers understand the intent of AR 600-20, paragraph 4-14.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael D. Blackwell", is positioned above the printed name.

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